

HOUSE RESOLUTION 167

By Hulsey

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Judge Duane Sidney Snodgrass.

WHEREAS, it was with great sadness that the members of the House learned of the passing of Duane Sidney Snodgrass, a retired general sessions judge who served on the bench for nearly thirty years; and

WHEREAS, dedicated to preserving constitutional integrity in his court, Judge Snodgrass rendered decisions that ensured the rule of law was applied with equity and that the blindfold always remained on "Lady Justice"; and

WHEREAS, renowned as a good, fair, and kind judge, Duane Snodgrass earned the respect and admiration of members of the bench and the bar alike; and

WHEREAS, a native of Kingsport, Judge Snodgrass graduated from East Tennessee State College in 1962 and the University of Tennessee School of Law in 1964; and

WHEREAS, he was commissioned as a 2nd lieutenant in the U.S. Army and earned a Commendation for Meritorious Service while serving as legal counsel for the Judge Advocate General's Corps from 1964 through 1965; and

WHEREAS, after being discharged from military service, Judge Snodgrass returned to his beloved Kingsport, where he practiced law for sixteen years before becoming a judge; and

WHEREAS, he was blessed with many lifelong friends who shared his passion for trail riding, fishing, and hunting; together they enjoyed many outings and were avid members of the Kingsport Outdoorsmen Club; and

WHEREAS, Judge Snodgrass expressed his faith as a member of First Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, Duane Snodgrass found his greatest joy among his family, and he spent many wonderful days with them on his farm on the Holston River, where they experienced many adventures and made memories to last a lifetime; and

WHEREAS, he was preceded in death by his parents, Sidney and Wanda Snodgrass, and his son, David Snodgrass; and

WHEREAS, Judge Snodgrass is survived by his daughter, Terri Jones and husband, Brad; grandchildren, Griffin Jones and wife, Lorie, Parker Jones and wife, Maggie, Emily Cave and husband, Preston, Maci Snodgrass, and Ellie Snodgrass; great-granddaughter, Emerson Jones; brothers, Phil Snodgrass and wife, Virginia, and Klyne Snodgrass and wife, Phyllis; daughter-in-law, Tere Snodgrass; and several nieces and nephews; and

WHEREAS, Duane Snodgrass will be fondly remembered as a man who lived life to its fullest, embracing each day, and a devoted family man who was always willing to help a friend or neighbor; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we should remember this remarkable gentleman and the legacy he has left us; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor the memory of Judge Duane Sidney Snodgrass, reflecting fondly upon his bountiful life as a judge and public servant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and extend our condolences to Judge Snodgrass's family and many friends.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.